

Tuesday, December 3rd 1991

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From: Michael.Corbin@p0.f428.n104.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Michael Corbin)  
Subject: Paranet Nodes In The Uk  
Date: 30 Nov 91 04:48:00 GMT

> From: Robert Trevelyan <rob@aixssc.ibm.co.uk>  
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> Hi,  
> Can anyone tell me if there is any Paranet nodes in  
> the UK either currently or planned. If there is not any  
> could someone explain how one would go about becoming a  
> node and how someone could get a private Paranet/Fidonet  
> mail address. I would like to be able to access this service  
> from home in the future (not immediate future).  
> Keep up the excellent service and appologies for my ignorance  
> of it.

There is email on its way to you via Internet.

Mike

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Michael Corbin - via FidoNet node 1:104/422

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From: Linda.Bird@p0.f8.n1012.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Linda Bird)

Subject: Welcome back!

Date: 29 Nov 91 03:40:37 GMT

Hi Vlad,

Got your message, and welcome back! Today is Thanksgiving Day and if you celebrate the same, hope you have had a g'day!!

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Linda

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From: Linda.Bird@p0.f8.n1012.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Linda Bird)

Subject: Newspaper articles

Date: 29 Nov 91 03:48:44 GMT

Hello Robert,

Yes, I did receive your newspaper articles, and thank you so much! They were, of course, in much better detail than anything we have in the U.S. I was quite discouraged by the detail that Dave & Doug furnished on how they made their elaborate circles. It really makes ufologers looks bad.

I guess we need to wait and see what develops in Australia, and next summer in England. Personally, I don't think we've seen the last of this situation. By the way, a recent National Geographic special on crop circles, IMHO, made fun of it all, and was not a bit serious. <sigh>

Keep us posted on the latest,

Linda

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From: Jim.Speiser@p666.f100.n1010.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Speiser)  
Subject: UFORA moving to Cairns  
Date: 29 Nov 91 06:58:43 GMT

In a message to Jim Speiser <27 Nov 91 23:52> Vladimir Godic wrote:

>> How much you wanna bet THE LANDING takes place in Sydney on  
>> November 10th, and we won't be able to get any info out of you  
>> guys for two weeks....  
>>  
>> Jim

VG> Jim,  
VG> Sorry to disappoint you but no UFO landing took place in Sydney.  
VG> As a matter of fact my wife and I were looking for UFOs during  
VG> our 5 day (3800km) trip from Adelaide to Cairns. Unfortunately we  
VG> did not see anything.  
VG> It's good to be back on Paranet.  
VG> Vlad

Good to have you back! Things have been slow in your absence, except for a highly skeptical report on the Belgium case (which itself must be viewed with skepticism...)

Jim

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From: Jim.Speiser@p666.f100.n1010.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Speiser)  
Subject: Gulg Breeze Gifs.  
Date: 29 Nov 91 07:53:36 GMT

In a message to All <28 Nov 91 12:01> ncar!doc.imperial.ac.uk!a wrote:

nc> Jim,  
nc> Thanks for the offer but I am not sure if/how I could  
nc> request the files from here as we only have a pickup/dropoff  
nc> mail service. Can you explain to how I would go about  
nc> requesting theses files. Thanks again for the offer.

As Popeye would say, "Garshk!" I frankly dunno how its done over the Internet, or if it CAN be done. There is the direct method, which would involve an overseas call to my system at 602-994-9882. Other than that, you'll have to ask an Internet Maven.

Jim

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From: James.Hudnall@f100.n1010.z9.FIDONET.ORG (James Hudnall)  
Subject: Re: RAF BENTWATERS/WOODBRIDGE  
Date: 30 Nov 91 04:21:00 GMT

Thanks. I'll get a text fil done soon, I hope. The only problem is I'm a writer with deadlines, so it may take awhile. It'll be worth the wait, though. I get to it A.S.A.P. I've had friends on other boards mention they would like to read it, too.

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From: Keith.Basterfield@f12.n1040.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Keith Basterfield)  
Subject: Implants  
Date: 29 Nov 91 03:01:00 GMT

Hi Peggy, thanks for your last message. I'd be delighted to receive a copy tape of the broadcast which included materila on implants, in return for which I'll mail over a copy of the Richard Price article plus a couple of other items. My postal address is PO Box 302, Modbury north, South Australia 5092, Australia. May I have a mailing address for yourself please?

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From: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG (John Hicks)  
Subject: Belgian UFO  
Date: 30 Nov 91 06:25:01 GMT

> Furthermore, this case does not fit the pattern of spurious sightings of  
> Venus or aircraft. Usually such sightings are isolated, and not part of  
> a wave. I find it hard to believe that so many thousands of people  
> misinterpreted conventional aircraft for low-flying triangular platforms  
> with bright white lights.

On that note, I believe that people who live in areas of high-density air traffic become very familiar with aircraft lights and can easily pick out anything out of the ordinary.

I suppose a bright Venus could account for some, but geez.....most?

jbh

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John Hicks - via FidoNet node 1:104/422  
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INTERNET: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG

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From: Kay.Mclaughlin@p0.f134.n109.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Kay McLaughlin)  
Subject: Re: Bill Cooper  
Date: 27 Nov 91 21:26:00 GMT

JS> I thought I'd never mention this name again, but I thought y'all  
JS> might be interested to know...

Never say Never

JS> Bill Cooper was just on a radio show here in Phoenix, talking on the  
JS> topic of the Kennedy Assassination. Yes, he's still touting the "Greer  
JS> Shot Kennedy" theory. Even more interestingly, though, he is now  
JS> backpedaling on the aliens bit, saying that its all a ruse by the  
JS> government to get us to unite behind the New World Order.

Perhaps Kennedy is a better money maker, believed by more folks willing to part with \$\$\$\$\$. With the "alien bit", it's more work trying to convince folks.

JS> Someone called in and said that he'd read many articles by Cooper  
JS> claiming that UFOs were real and that the government was in cahoots  
JS> with the aliens, and Cooper asked, "Did you see those articles on a  
JS> computer BBS?" He said "yes." Cooper then said, "Those weren't written  
JS> by me. Someone wrote a bunch of hogwash articles using my name and  
JS> uploaded them to a bunch of computer bulletin board systems."

Oh no, maybe he's been cloned?

JS> Interestingly, the caller told Cooper, "By the way, Vicki Cooper and  
JS> Lars Hanson said `Hi', and to tell you that you are still the biggest  
JS> liar in the world."  
JS> Awwrrriiighht! Anyone out there wanna claim credit for that call?

ROFL

Thanks for the update,  
Kay

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Kay McLaughlin - via FidoNet node 1:104/422  
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From: Jim.Speiser@p666.f100.n1010.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Speiser)  
Subject: Omni Comments  
Date: 30 Nov 91 23:22:43 GMT

In a message to Peggy Noonan <26 Nov 91 16:32> Steve Rose wrote:

> PN> In fact, the question you raised is something people here have  
> PN> suggested be added to OMNI -- a feature in which at least one story  
> PN> would be taken apart by a skeptic, point by point.

SR> Alright! Now there's some meat on dem bones. :)

How bout taking it one step further, and allowing the claimants to review the debunking, point by point, perhaps going back and forth until it boils down to a fundamental difference in philosophy (which it invariably does - usually objectivist vs. solipsist)?

Jim

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Jim Speiser - via FidoNet node 1:104/422  
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From: Jim.Speiser@p666.f100.n1010.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Speiser)  
Subject: Author  
Date: 30 Nov 91 23:25:11 GMT

In a message to Don Ecker <27 Nov 91 08:00> Jim Greenen wrote:

JG> Don; saw your show, as usual you did a good job. Maybe a bit on  
JG> the conservative side but all and all a jolly good show. I  
JG> thoyght Keith was out in left field and wrote the book to make a  
JG> buck.

Something that Ed Walters was SURELY not thinking of at all....

<grin> There I go again, sorry, Jim. Forget I said it...

Jim

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From: Jim.Speiser@p666.f100.n1010.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Speiser)  
Subject: Omni ONLINE  
Date: 30 Nov 91 23:30:03 GMT

In a message to John Hicks <29 Nov 91 11:45> Peggy Noonan wrote:

>> I just suggested Fido since it would have the widest  
>>potential circulation. Here on ParaNet would be good too, if  
>>Mike's willing.  
>> Otherwise.....  
>> Maybe they could just appoint (and pay, maybe) someone to  
>>participate in the various echos on behalf of the magazine.  
>>That'd be workable as long as that participation didn't get too  
>>commercial.  
>> I just don't think there'd be enough participation to cover

>>the costs of a pay service. Right now on issuesforum's ufo  
PN>  
PN> Good thought, John, about ParaNet, if Mike is willing, as you  
PN> say, and also the participation idea is attractive to yours  
PN> truly. I'll pass this along and see if there are any nibbles.  
PN> Sure would be nice, wouldn't it! Like a chocoholic being  
PN> subsidized for testing Valentine candy boxes! ;-)

How's about a mention of ParaNet somewhere in the AntiMatter column? I recall that there was a brief story done on Dale Goudie's old CUFON system, but that system went over like an 1890's airship. It may be time to update OMNI's readers on the state of online ufology.

Jim

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From: Linda.Bird@p0.f8.n1012.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Linda Bird)  
Subject: Re: RAF BENTWATERS/WOODBRIDGE  
Date: 1 Dec 91 06:13:58 GMT

Hi,

My husband has just made an update to his original "report." I'm going to send it to Mike Corbin. Whether or not hubby will respond to posts remain to be seen. I'm workin' on him. So be patient, and it will be out soon, I'm sure.

Regards,

Linda

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From: Linda.Bird@p0.f8.n1012.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Linda Bird)  
Subject: Revision/Update  
Date: 1 Dec 91 06:26:48 GMT

Hello Mike,



To my surprise, Loren revised his paper on Bentwaters without a fuss, and I'll send it out Monday. (Will miracles never cease??)

Best,

Linda

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From: cwns1.INS.CWRU.Edu!ak842

Subject: Re: Bill Cooper

Date: 2 Dec 91 04:38:49 GMT

From: ak842@cleveland.Freenet.Edu (Douglas Dever)

Geez, hasn't he stolen enough publicity for a lifetime?  
It seems that he keeps popping back up, but it sounds like he might be beginning to contradict himself... too bad i missed the show... add my name to the list of people who wish they could claim credit to the phone call!

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\_ Douglas A. Dever \_ If Voting Changed Anything They'd Make It Illegal!

'So it goes' -- Kurt Vonnegut ak842@cleveland.freenet.edu

'Roll the Bones' -- Rush s9000159@llohio.linknet.com

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From: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG (John Hicks)

Subject: Omni ONLINE

Date: 1 Dec 91 09:16:00 GMT

> About the pay service participation, I was surprised to find  
> when I went back to CIS this week after an absence and checked the UFO  
> portion of IssuesForum that there were so few messages. Where'd  
> everybody go? It was pretty lively there for a while -- to the point  
> that responding to messages was costing me a bunch

I check in every now and then, but I think the cost got to all of us. After all, many of us (same people) can talk about the same stuff here and in various

other echos without subsidizing CI\$.

> Have you been doing this -- the UFO boards -- long enough to  
> note any kind of seasonal variation in participation?

I haven't really noticed any variation, with the exception of Spring Break and summertime when some kids cause trouble. They don't very often get past the local level, though.

jbh

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From: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG (John Hicks)  
Subject: Paranet Nodes in the UK  
Date: 1 Dec 91 09:17:01 GMT

I can provide Robert an HST link, if that would help.

jbh

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INTERNET: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG

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From: Jim.Greenen@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Jim Greenen)  
Subject: Belgian UFO  
Date: 1 Dec 91 15:59:00 GMT

\* Replying to a message originally to Michael Corbin  
JH> > The following report has been provided by Jean Manfroid of the Liege  
JH>  
JH> \*Very\* interesting. Note that the "object" filmed over  
JH> Mexico City during last summer's eclipse that Wendelle  
JH> Stevens was so excited about also appears to have been  
JH> Venus.  
JH>  
JH>

jbh

JH>

Not unless Venus made a detour between the moon and the earth. Must see photo's in the UFO Journal. 73'S ---JIM---

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Jim Greenen - via FidoNet node 1:104/422

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INTERNET: Jim.Greenen@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG

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From: Don.Allen@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Don Allen)

Subject: Gulg Breeze Gifs.

Date: 1 Dec 91 17:34:00 GMT

\* Replying to a message originally to ncar!doc.imperial.ac.uk!a

JS> In a message to All <28 Nov 91 12:01>

JS> ncar!doc.imperial.ac.uk!a wrote:

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JS> nc> Jim,

JS> nc> Thanks for the offer but I am not sure if/how I could

JS> nc> request the files from here as we only have a pickup/dropoff

JS> nc> mail service. Can you explain to how I would go about

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JS> As Popeye would say, "Garshk!" I frankly dunno how its done

JS> over the Internet, or if it CAN be done. There is the

JS> direct method, which would involve an overseas call to my

JS> system at 602-994-9882. Other than that, you'll have to ask

JS> an Internet Maven.

Jim,

How it's done over the Internet is to either FTP (File Transfer Protocol.. which is similar to FREQ'ing over BBS's) the requested files or to email the files directly to the site.

I've tried at various times to mail Robert from my UUCP connection but these mailers being the finicky critters that they are usually end up bouncing the mail back.

Having posted over 40 GB files to the NET, I just completed posting one of the 3 GB GIFS to alt.alien.visitors. This GIF was the one with the GB Ed Walters craft.

To convert a GIF for posting on the Net requires that you must first uuencode it from an 8 bit file format to a 7 bit ASCII text format so it can be transmitted around the world intact in message format.

This is an example of this operation:

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begin 644 realufo.gif
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etc....
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The user can convert this back into it's original GIF format by passing it through uuencode.

This is commonly how pictures are passed around on the Internet in message/article format.

Hopefully, Robert will have spotted the GIF (I believe it was posted in 3 parts) in a.a.v before the articles have expired at his site.

I'm about to uuencode more stuff for a.a.v though some will complain that I shouldn't be posting GIFS to a non-GIF designated newsgroup :-)

REQUEST:

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Could you or some kind soul please post in the echo here the most current ParaNet node list? The last one I posted to the Net was quite dated and I rec'vd email of "Hey..this list is OLD!"

Thanks!

Don  
dona@bilver.uucp

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Don Allen - via FidoNet node 1:104/422  
UUCP: !scicom!paranet!User\_Name  
INTERNET: Don.Allen@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG

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From: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG (John Hicks)  
Subject: Mystery object  
Date: 2 Dec 91 08:02:00 GMT

\* Forwarded from "UFINET"  
\* Originally by John Hicks

\* Originally to all  
\* Originally dated 2 Dec 1991, 1:02

#### SPACE OBJECT IS AN ASTEROID

TUCSON, Ariz.- (wire service) A small object discovered last month hurtling through space turned out to be a tiny asteroid. The rock, 30 feet in diameter, is one of the smallest asteroids detected, University of Arizona planetary scientist Tom Gehrels said Friday.

The object, known as 1991VG, was discovered November 6. Because of its circular orbit, astronomers thought it might be a manmade object, perhaps an upper stage from one of the rockets that sent Apollo spacecraft to the moon.

Gehrels said astronomers decided the object was an asteroid after observing its brightness. The object will pass within 290,000 miles of Earth on December 5.

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From: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG (John Hicks)  
Subject: TRIANGULAR UFO'S  
Date: 2 Dec 91 08:09:01 GMT

\* Forwarded from "UFO"  
\* Originally by John Gribble  
\* Originally to All  
\* Originally dated 28 Nov 1991, 21:56

I have been asked by Stan Gordon of the Pennsylvania association for the study of the unexplained to inform all who might be interested that there has been in the past few months a dramatic increase in the reported sightings of triangular shaped ufo's the most recent being a large triangular ufo reported in Cambria county Pennsylvania. Mr Gordon would like to hear from anyone who has knowledge of this type of sighting occurring any where. He can be reached at 6 Oak hill av. Greensburgh Pa. 15601 or he can be reached at the Pennsylvania UFO hotline 412-838-7768.

I don't know if this board is connected to PARANET but I do know that some of you use paranet so if someone could relay this message to that board I would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you,  
John Gribble

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John Hicks - via FidoNet node 1:104/422

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INTERNET: John.Hicks@f29.n363.z1.FIDONET.ORG

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From: Don.Ecker@p0.f3.n1012.z9.FIDONET.ORG (Don Ecker)  
Subject: Author  
Date: 1 Dec 91 15:11:00 GMT

Jim Greenen said;

> Don; saw your show, as usual you did a good job.

Thanks Jim.

> Maybe a bit on the  
> conservative side but all and all a jolly good show.

Well I guess maybe that is just the kind of guy I am....<G>

> You will have a letter forth coming that you might be interested in.  
> It is not UFO related but deals in the subject we discussed a couple of  
> weeks ago on the phone about a certain individual and his claims. 73'S

Ok, will look for it. Not here as of yet.

Don

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From: Peggy.Noonan@p0.f150.n30163.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Peggy Noonan)  
Subject: Implants  
Date: 2 Dec 91 14:41:00 GMT

>implants, in return for which I'll mail over a copy of the  
>Richard Price article plus a couple of other items. My postal  
>Australia. May I have a mailing address for yourself please?

Okay, I'll make the copy for you today and get it into the mail  
in the next day or two. Thank you for the offer of the return  
articles. My business mailing address is:

Professional Editing Services  
2050 Ingalls St.

Edgewater, CO 80214-1155 USA

Thanks very much -- I'll look forward to hearing from you again.  
BTW, I've had a chance now to listen to most of the tape and I must  
say this fellow certainly is a strange one.

==Peggy==

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Peggy Noonan - via FidoNet node 1:104/422

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From: Peggy.Noonan@p0.f150.n30163.z1.FIDONET.ORG (Peggy Noonan)  
Subject: Omni Online  
Date: 2 Dec 91 14:50:00 GMT

>How's about a mention of ParaNet somewhere in the AntiMatter  
>column? I recall that there was a brief story done on Dale  
>Goudie's old CUFON system, but that system went over like an  
>1890's airship. It may be time to update OMNI's readers on the  
>state of online ufology.

Hi Jim,

I hope to get that included and we're also working on trying  
to get a story okayed which will cover all the UFO BBS -- something  
I don't think has been done yet, and that would include ParaNet, of  
course. I still have to finalize the proposal but so far  
everybody's willing to cooperate. CUFON is back online, now -- did  
you know about that? And Jim Klotz has sent a packet to OMNI hoping  
to get either a re-mention in that section of the magazine or else  
be included in the UFO BBS piece (assuming they okay it). Meantime,  
Mike Corbin and I will be putting together something about MICAP  
which should include mention of ParaNet, too.

Of course, you never know when you send something in to the  
publishers how it will turn out after editing...lots of "great  
stuff" winds up on the "cutting room floor" so to speak, because the  
editing staff has to choose what works best for them, not  
necessarily what makes the writer or interviewees happy, so it's not  
possible to guarantee anything. All I can do is give it a good shot  
and a cover letter mention for emphasis and hope for the best.

Thanks for the suggestion. If you have any ideas on which  
BBS should be included in a UFO BBS article, I'd love to hear from  
you on that too, okay?

==Peggy==

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Peggy Noonan - via FidoNet node 1:104/422

UUCP: !scicom!paranet!User\_Name

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> I check in every now and then, but I think the cost got to  
> all of us. After all, many of us (same people) can talk about  
> the same stuff here and in various other echos without  
> subsidizing CI\$.

Right, John. I posted a message on Issues and got quite a few replies, some of which were from people who are also on FidoNet or ParaNet so it doesn't make sense for them to spend where they can access a good messaging base without the fees -- same people, same topics (with only a few exceptions). It's so easy to spend a LOT of time on the local BBS just going over mail, let alone getting into files and reading ALL the messages that would interest you, that cost really becomes a very important factor. (None of this should imply that I'd be dropping out of Compuserve, of course, because the research facilities are wonderful and have saved my bacon many times, but the chatting online gets mighty expensive.)

About the seasonal variations, I am glad to hear that it's not that great other than the Spring Break kids stuff (maybe that's more prevalent in Florida, home of the King of Spring Breaks?) and when I went back to CIS this week, I did find more messages on the forum but they still tend to be shorter and fewer in number than they were at the time my bills got too high to handle.

BTW, Jim Speiser mentioned that I should try to include ParaNet in an OMNI story and I intend to do that (whether they'll publish that part or not is another matter entirely), and I'm also working on a proposal for the mag for an article about the UFO BBS, something I don't think has been done -- at least not for a long time. I'd like to make up a list which would include the important ones and access means (like getting on your local board to access FidoNet, etc.) If you think of something I should include, I'd appreciate it if you'd give me a nudge in the right direction.

You always have such good ideas.

Thanks, again, John.

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